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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF PALAU

On behalf of the Palau International Airport, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the people of Palau, I am cordially inviting you to attend the 2007 Pacific Aviation Directors' Workshop scheduled on March 26-29, 2007 at the Ngarachamayong Cultural Center.

The theme of the workshop is 'Fostering Aviation Safety & Infrastructure Development Through Government and Industry Partnerships.' While at this time the agenda is still being developed, we believe that the Workshop will offer you a helpful and meaningful mix of advice and information from FAA officials as well as airport executives from throughout the Pacific region. It will give you valuable opportunities to learn from your colleagues about safety and security issues, as well as infrastructure opportunities and partnerships.

During these difficult times, our airports are under great pressure to provide international standards of safety and security to passengers, often without sufficient funding or expertise. Each of our jurisdictions must therefore join forces to find the most cost-effective and efficient mechanisms available to ensure compliance with FAA and international standards.

If you have any suggested agenda items, please submit them to Mr. Hank Verbais at Hank. Verbais@faa.gov (Fax Number: 310-725-6813) no later than February 5, 2007.

We look forward to seeing you on our beautiful islands of Palau.

Sincerely,

Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr. President of the Republic of Palau